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PROPOSED AGENDA DATE: OCTOBER 8, 2002
AS-NEEDED GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES,
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING, AND INSPECTION
AWARD SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENTS

Attached is a fact sheet summarizing the main points to be covered in the Board letter we filed for the October 8, 2002, agenda recommending awarding supplemental agreements to Kleinfelder, Inc., and Ninyo & Moore for as-needed geotechnical engineering, construction materials testing, and inspection services for various capital and earthquake projects.

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FACT SHEET

AS-NEEDED GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES, CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING, AND INSPECTION AWARD SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENTS SPECS. VARIOUS; DSR VARIOUS; C.P. VARIOUS PROPOSED AGENDA DATE: OCTOBER 8, 2002

Request

We are requesting an increase in the not to exceed fee for each as-needed agreement from \$300,000 to \$900,000. The contracting authority under each agreement was used quicker than anticipated because the services were used on major projects including the Antelope Valley Courthouse, Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall, and Central Juvenile Hall. We anticipate that the total not to exceed fee of \$900,000 allocated for each contract will now meet the projected needs of capital and earthquake repair projects for the entire four-year contract term.

Description

On July 31, 2001, your Board authorized agreements with Kleinfelder, Inc., and Ninyo & Moore to provide as-needed geotechnical engineering, construction materials testing, and inspection services for various capital and earthquake recovery projects. These agreements are each for two-year periods with two annual renewal options. Each agreement is in its initial two-year contract period.

Financing

The FEMA/OES disaster claiming process and insurance proceeds for earthquake recovery projects will fund the contract supplements in the amount of \$150,000 each. The remaining \$450,000 of each contract supplement will be funded through the appropriate capital or refurbishment project's budget.

Justification

The use of independent materials testing and inspection firms during construction provides assurance that the materials, products, and processes used by the contractor meet the requirements of the construction documents. The current and anticipated workload exceeds the capacity of existing County resources, and these agreements are an efficient means of providing as-needed technical services for large and small projects while reducing procurement costs associated with individual contracts. Furthermore, work to date by each vendor has been responsive and thorough and met professional standards.